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Illinois Independent Telephone Association)
)
) Docket No. 00-0233
Petition for initiation of an investigation)
of the necessity of and the establishment)
of a Universal Service Support Fund in)
accordance with Section 13-301(d))
of the Public Utilities Act)

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PETITION FOR INTERVENTION OF
SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS L.P.

Pursuant to 83 Ill. Admin. Code Section 200.200 of the Rules of Practice of the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission"), Sprint Communications Company L.P. d/b/a Sprint Communications L.P. ("Sprint") respectfully requests leave to intervene and be made a party to the above captioned proceeding. In support of this Petition, Sprint states as follows:

1. Sprint is a certificated interexchange telecommunications carrier in Illinois pursuant to Section 13-202, 13-401, and 13-403 of the Public Utilities Act. Moreover, Sprint holds a Certificate of Exchange Service Authority to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange telecommunications services in those portions of the state that are served by Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a Ameritech Illinois ("Ameritech") and GTE North, Incorporated and GTE South, Incorporated ("GTE"), granted in Docket Nos. 96-0141 and 96-0598; and a Certificate of Service Authority to provide resold local exchange telecommunication service in those portions of MSA-1 that are served by Central

Telephone Company of Illinois ("Centel") and those portions of the state outside of MSA-1 served by Centel, granted in Docket Nos. 96-0261 and 97-0295.

2. Copies of all orders, notices, pleadings or correspondence in this docket should be sent to:

Kenneth A. Schiffman, Esq.
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3. Sprint is an interested party in this proceeding. The results of this docket will determine amounts that Sprint will pay into and/or receive from a state universal service fund.

4. Granting Sprint's intervention in this docket will not unduly delay or burden this proceeding.

5. Sprint accepts the record as it stands today.

WHEREFORE, Sprint respectfully requests that its Petition for Leave to Intervene be granted, and that it be made a party to this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

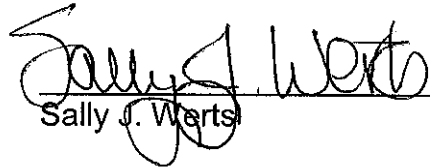
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 28th day of April, 2000, copies of the foregoing were sent to the following persons on the attached list via U.S. Mail:


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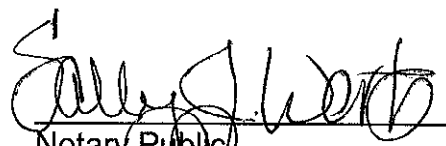
VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF JACKSON)

I, Kenneth A. Schiffman, being duly sworn, state that I am the attorney representing Sprint Communications L.P., that I have read the foregoing Petition for Intervention, and that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Kenneth A. Schiffman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of April, 2000.


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My Commission Expires:

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